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Re: Acceptance of Amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Miller Project, #2, S/019/038 (UTU-72522), Grand County, Utah

Dear Mr. Miller:

On February 24, 1997, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining received your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations. Please accept our apology for the lengthy delay in processing this amendment. For our records we have identified this application as the Miller Project #2. We are treating this submission as an amendment to the original notice; therefore, the same file number will be utilized. **This February 1997 amendment has changed the project location to the SE/4 SE/4 Section 27, T19S, R25E, SLBM.** The affected lands of this new location are managed by the BLM. This amendment has satisfied the completeness requirements of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act and no additional information is required by the Division at this time. The old locations will be deleted from this notice.

We have received a copy of the BLM letter of February 27, 1997, which states their review of this submission has been suspended until they have received proper documentation regarding permission for your proposed activities from the mining claimants. Acceptance of this amended notice by the Division does not relieve you of the need to acquire the other appropriate state and federal permits.

We have contacted John Blake at the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration and have been advised that you have not withdrawn your mineral lease permit #ML 47371 for section 32, T19S, R25E, SLBM.. If you wish to conduct mining activities on this mineral lease you will need to submit an amendment to this notice to include that location prior to performing any work in that location.

For your reference, please find enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1 and SMO-2). Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first

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few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Please be advised that the State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) may also require certain permits for your operation. For further information regarding their permitting requirements, you may contact them at (801) 538-6146; their mailing address is Utah State Department of Environmental Quality, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-0690.

If you wish to expand your operation beyond the five acre limitation of this permit, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5267. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,



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